

Hosp Grove Trail

History

Hosp Grove was created in 1908 by nurseryman F.P. Hosp, who along with investors formed the Hosp Eucalyptus Corporation to plant 219 acres of eucalyptus trees. Hosp believed that these fast-growing, drought-tolerant trees could be harvested to sell as railroad ties for the West's expanding railroad system.

After planting 40,000 eucalyptus among 45 acres, Hosp discovered to his chagrin that eucalyptus wood was inadequate for railroad tie usage.

Over the years, portions of the original acreage were sold for residential developments. In 1986, the City of Carlsbad, through a voter-approved measure, saved what was left from further development by purchasing the remaining 53 acres of Hosp Grove, which remains today as part of the city's park and trail system.



Connecting Communities

Leave your car behind and take a bike route or trail instead. The city's trails provide a comprehensive network for non-motorized transportation routes, connecting neighborhoods to commercial and business areas, schools, parks and Carlsbad beaches.

Volunteer Opportunities and Adopt-A-Trail

Join the many dedicated citizens who care deeply about Citywide Trails. Citywide Trail Volunteers are critical for preserving, maintaining, protecting, developing, and operating trails in Carlsbad for public use. Volunteers meet on a quarterly basis. It's a great way to have fun, keep fit and learn about our unique environment—all while making a lasting contribution that will benefit the community for generations to come. If you would like to become a trail volunteer or to learn about the Adopt-A-Trail Program, please contact our Community Volunteer Coordinator at 760-434-2978, or sign up at www.VolunteerinCarlsbad.net.

Visit www.carlsbadca.gov/trails for complete information on the Citywide Trails Program.



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Driving Directions

Jefferson St. Trail Head

I-5 to the Las Flores exit. West on Las Flores to Jefferson St. Right on Jefferson St. Continue on Jefferson for approximately ½ mile. The Hosp Grove Park parking lot is on the right.

Rotary Picnic Area and Trail Head - Monroe St.

I-5 to Carlsbad Village exit.
East on Carlsbad Village Dr. to Monroe St.
Left on Monroe St. Continue for approximately 1 mile.
Unpaved parking and picnic area is on the right.

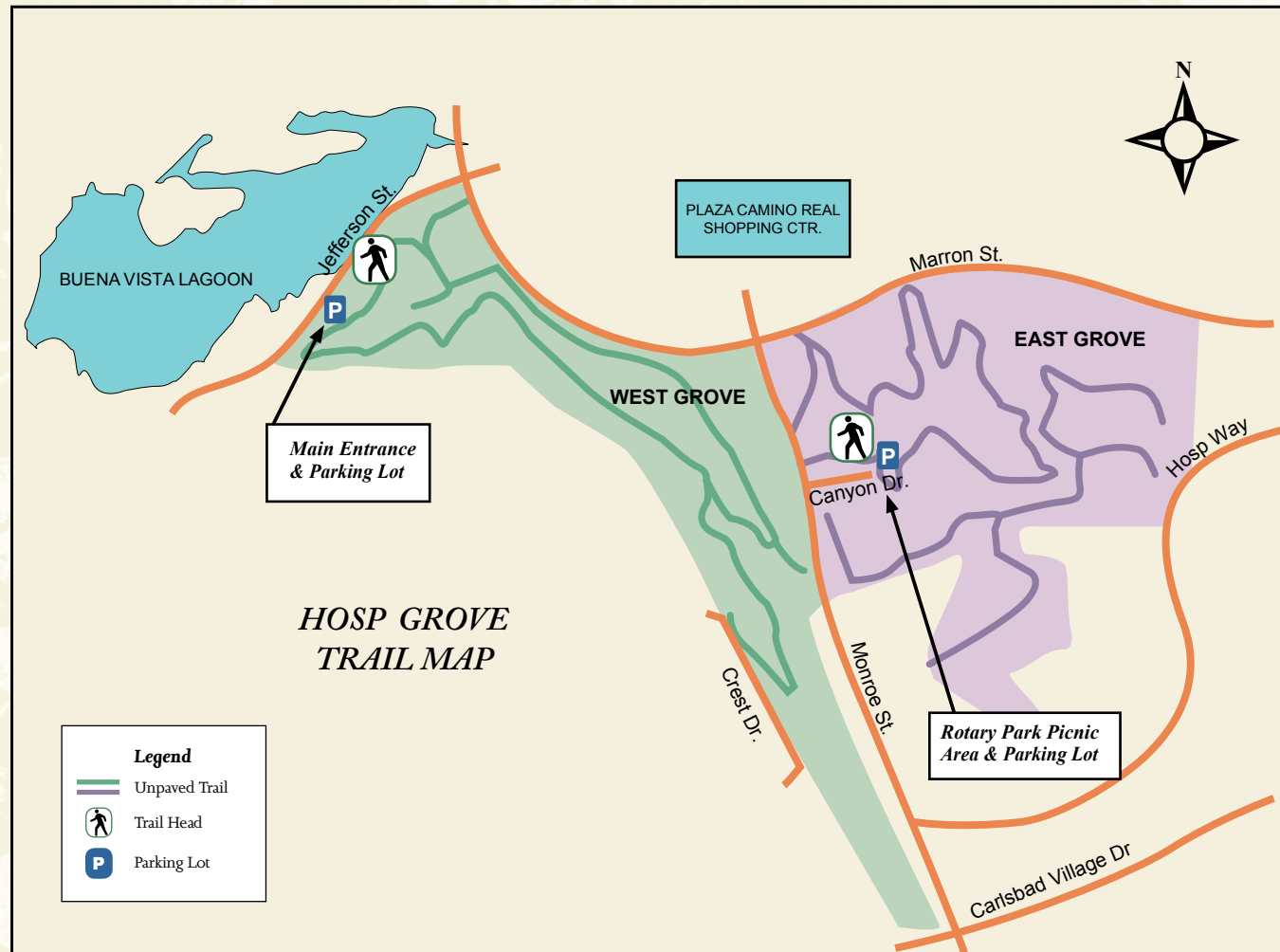


Trail Use Regulations

1. Stay on the designated trail.
2. Put litter in containers provided. Do not leave or deposit any litter. CMC 11.32.030(1).
3. Pick up after your pet. CMC 7.08.010, SDCC 62.670.
4. All pets must be on a hand-held leash under 6' long. CMC Sec. 7.08.010, SDCC Sec. 62.669.
5. Bicycle riders 17 years and younger must wear a helmet. V.C.21212.
6. Bicycles should be driven at safe speeds considering all other trail users.
7. Ride or walk on right side when traffic is coming from the opposite direction or when someone signals they would like to pass.
8. Motorized vehicles and horses are not allowed on this trail. (CMC Secs. 11.32.030(11), 11.32.030(19).
9. No smoking, fires or firearms. CMC Secs. 11.32.030(2), 11.32.030(4), 11.32.110.
10. Report accidents or emergencies to the Police Department (Dial 911).
11. Report trails maintenance problems or vandalism to the Parks Department at 760-434-2824.

Important Phone Numbers

POLICE & FIRE (Emergencies Only)	911
PARKS DEPT. (Trail Maintenance)	760-434-2824
GRAFFITI REMOVAL	760-434-6700
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	760-434-2826
WILDLIFE ASSISTANCE	619-921-6044



Trail Highlights

Hosp Grove trails are notable for several reasons. They are located in one of the oldest areas of Carlsbad, possess an intriguing historical significance, and they are the first city trails built and maintained by volunteers. The scenic unpaved

trails wind through the grove, and up and down steep slopes for approximately 3 miles, and climb to a 100-foot difference in elevation. On the west side of the grove the trails offer a "buena vista" ("good view") of the adjacent Buena Vista Lagoon.

Over the last decade, many organizations and individuals have enhanced the Hosp Grove Trail and adjoining park. In March 2005, Carlsbad High Noon Rotary club, in partnership with the city, constructed a trail head picnic and parking area just off of Monroe Street. More recently, volunteers replanted 1,000 new trees as part of a Hosp Grove reforestation project.